# **NOTICE TO MARINERS**



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### **RIVER MEDWAY- SALTPAN REACH**

### Isle of Grain LNG Terminal, Jetties No. 8 & 10 Exclusion Zones (General Directions for Navigation)

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that all mariners are to observe the exclusion zones in relation to the Isle of Grain LNG Terminal Jetties Nos.8 & 10 in Saltpan Reach. Mariners are also to note that any unauthorised infringement of the LNG Exclusion Zones may result in prosecution.

#### Berth Exclusion Zone Regulations:

1. When there is <u>no</u> LNG vessel berthed at the LNG Terminal no vessel (including pleasure vessels, PWC's, fishing boats etc.) shall navigate within that part of the River Medway which is within an arc measuring **150 metres** in any direction from the cargo transfer arms at the LNG Terminals. The cargo transfer arms are located at the following approximate position:

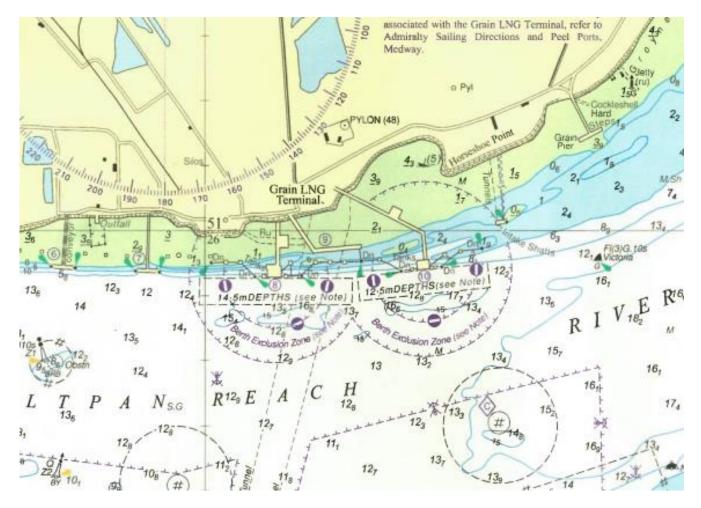
Terminal No.10	51° 25.9405'N	00° 42.5448'E
Terminal No.8	51° 25.9309'N	00° 42.1760'E

- 2. When there <u>is</u> an LNG vessel moored at the LNG Terminal no vessel (including pleasure vessels, PWC's, fishing boats etc.) other than those attending the LNG terminal which are authorised by the Harbour Master or the operator of the LNG Terminal, shall enter any part of the River Medway which is within an arc measuring **250 metres (berth exclusion zone)** in any direction from the cargo transfer arms of the LNG Terminal.
- 3. When there **is** an LNG vessel moored at the LNG terminal, the speed of all passing vessels navigating outside of the berth exclusion zone should not exceed 7.5 knots through the water whilst transiting.

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4. When there **is** an LNG vessel moored at the LNG terminal a guard tug is employed to ensure compliance with exclusion zone requirements. The tug is normally moored on Saltpan No.8 buoy where it monitors vessel movements in relation to the LNG terminal. LNG terminal requirements state that when a vessel of 130m LOA or above is transiting the guard tug will move out and hold position on the 250m zone perimeter until the ship has passed clear. The guard tug will also take up this position if an incursion looks imminent and it can respond quick enough to prevent a vessel entering the area. All LNG exclusion zone infringements are reported to Peel Ports who will instigate follow-up proceedings with craft owners and operators.



#### UKHO Chart 1834 refers.

Further information may be obtained from Medway VTS on VHF Channel 74, call sign "Medway VTS' or telephone 0151 949 6148 or 0151 949 6650.

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